

In The Name and By The Authority of The State of Iowa

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, a brain injury is damage to the brain which temporarily or permanently impairs a person's physical, cognitive, or behavioral functions; and
- WHEREAS, falls, motor vehicle crashes and sports injuries are leading causes of traumatic brain injury in Iowa; and
- WHEREAS, often described as the "Silent Epidemic" because brain injuries are not always visible to others, over 95,000 Iowans live with long term disability from brain injury; and
- WHEREAS, individuals with brain injury and their families face overwhelming challenges, especially related to navigating the service delivery system; and
- WHEREAS, education is essential for brain injury prevention, overcoming misconceptions and achieving long-term recovery; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kim Reynolds, Governor of the State of Iowa, do hereby proclaim the month of March 2021 as

BRAIN INJURY AWARENESS MONTH

in Iowa.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SUBSCRIBED MY NAME AND CAUSED THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF IOWA TO BE AFFIXED. DONE AT DES MOINES THIS 22 DAY OF MARCH IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-ONE.

KIM REVNOLDS

GOVERNOR OF IOW

ATTEST:

PAUL PATE

SECRETARY OF STATE